REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 and MPEP § 714.16. A Notice of Allowance was issued by the United States Patent & Trademark Office ("USPTO") on December 6, 2007. The issue fee payment is due March 6, 2008, and has *not* yet been paid.

By this paper, claims 1 and 4 are amended to clarify the description of the invention. The words "on a predetermined surface" were changed to "on an object surface" and the words "an image obtained through the imaging" were changed to "the image surface." These amendments were needed to aid clarity, would not require additional search or examination, and would not adversely affect the patentability of allowed claims. Also, amendments to the Specification were made to clarify the "image plane". Entry of these amendments is believed to be appropriate and is requested.

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CONCLUSION

In the event that a telephone conference would facilitate the examination of this application in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED FOR THE TIMELY CONSIDERATION OF THIS AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 AND 1.17, OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4500, ORDER NO. 1232-5073.

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